- (1) The right of majority has been conferred upon the minor by court proceedings or statute;
- (2) A guardian has been appointed to manage the minor's property, and the applicable program documents are executed by the guardian; or
- (3) A bond is furnished under which a surety guarantees any loss incurred for which the minor would be liable had the minor been an adult.

§ 1412.403 Reconstitutions.

Farms shall be reconstituted in accordance with part 718 of this title.

§ 1412.404 Notification of base acres.

The owner and all producers on a farm shall be notified in writing of the number of base acres eligible for enrollment in a contract, unless such owner or producer requests in writing that such owner or producer not be furnished with the notice.

§ 1412.405 Reducing base acreage.

- (a)(1) Subject to the limitation in paragraph (a)(ii) of this section, a permanent reduction of all or a portion of a farm's base acreage shall be allowed when all owners of the farm execute and submit a written request for such reduction on a CCC-approved standard, uniform form designated by CCC to the FSA county office where the records for the farm are administratively maintained.
- (2) A permanent reduction of all or a portion of a farm's base acreage to negate or reduce a program violation is not allowed.
- (b) When base acres on a farm are converted to a non-agricultural commercial or industrial use, the total base acreage on the farm shall be reduced accordingly regardless of the submission of a request for such reduction.

§ 1412.406 Succession-in-interest to a direct and counter-cyclical program contract.

- (a) A succession in interest to a contract may be permitted if there has been a change in the operation of a farm, such as:
 - (1) A sale of land;
- (2) A change of operator or producer, including a change in a partnership

that increases or decreases the number of partners;

- (3) A foreclosure, bankruptcy, or involuntary loss of the farm;
- (4) A change in producer shares to reflect changes in the producer's share of the crop(s) that were originally approved on the contract; or
- (5) As otherwise determined by the Deputy Administrator, if the succession will not adversely affect nor defeat the purpose of the program.
- (b) A succession in interest to the contract is not permitted if CCC determines that the change:
- (1) Results in a violation of the landlord-tenant provisions set forth in §1412.505; or
- (2) Adversely affects or otherwise defeats the purpose of the program.
- (c) If a producer who is entitled to receive direct and counter-cyclical payments dies, becomes incompetent, or is otherwise unable to receive the payment, CCC will make the payment in accordance with part 707 of this title.
- (d) A producer or owner must inform the county committee of changes in interest in base acres on the farm not later than:
- (1) August 1 of the fiscal year in which the change occurs if the change requires a reconstitution be completed in accordance with part 718 of this title; or
- (2) September 30 of the fiscal year in which the change occurs if the change does not require a reconstitution be completed in accordance with part 718 of this title.
- (e)(1) In any case in which either a direct or counter-cyclical payment has previously been made to a predecessor, such payment shall not be paid to the successor unless payment has been refunded by the predecessor, or a debt for any amount not refunded to CCC has been established for the predecessor.
- (2) A succession in interest shall not increase the liability of CCC.

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§1412.407 Planting flexibility.

(a) Any crop may be planted and harvested on base acreage on a farm, except as limited elsewhere in this section. Any crop may be planted on DCP